



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 2  
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NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10007-1866

DATE: AUG 1 2016

SUBJECT: Request for Concurrence on Proposed Nationally Significant or Precedent-Setting Removal Action at the Beechnut Nutrition Site, Canajoharie, Montgomery County, New York

FROM: Judith A. Enck  
Regional Administrator

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THRU: Walter E. Mugdan, Director  
Emergency and Remedial Response Division

TO: Reggie Cheatham, Director  
Office of Emergency Management

The purpose of this memorandum is to request your concurrence on the proposed removal action at the Beechnut Nutrition Site in Canajoharie, Montgomery County, New York. Redlegation of Authority R-14-2 gives you the authority to concur on nationally significant or precedent-setting removals.

Representatives from Region 2's Removal Program have discussed this proposed removal with staff of the HQ Office of Emergency Management's (OEM) Program Response and Operations Division. The Emergency and Remedial Response Division has advised the On-Scene Coordinator that this removal is considered nationally significant or precedent-setting because asbestos is the primary contaminant of concern, and, for that reason, and pursuant to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency policy, the OEM Director is to concur on the attached Action Memorandum. The Region has consulted with HQ OGC and HQ OSRE on the Action Memorandum since the initial request for funding is greater than \$2 million and the Site is not listed on the National Priorities List. My approval awaits your concurrence.

Concur:

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Reggie Cheatham, Director,  
Office of Emergency Management

8/22/16  
Date